

Our Kindergarten curriculum is based upon the Massachusetts Department of Education frameworks. The frameworks dictate what subject material and skills are taught at each grade level in the Westford Public Schools. Our goal is to prepare each and every student academically, socially, and emotionally for a smooth transition to the next grade level, whether a private or public institution. The following is a sample of our program:

Language Arts and Early Literacy

- Hands-on Alphabet Activities
- Class Books and Mini-books for each letter
- Scholastic Phonics Readers Program
- Literature-based activities incorporating picture books, poetry, and “Big Books”
- Journal and Creative Writing
- Poetry Books
- “Handwriting Without Tears” handwriting program
- Oral Language - Mystery Bag, News of the Day
- Phonics and sight word recognition
- Reading fluency and comprehension

Math

- Mathematics Their Way by Mary Baratta-Lorton (Addison-Wesley)
- Calendar and counting activities
- Identifying, extending and reproducing patterns
- Using graphs and charts to compare and analyze data
- Estimation and measurement
- Ordinal numbers
- Counting by 5’s and 10’s
- Modeling and solving math problems
- Time and money concepts

Science / Social Studies

- Science Table – observation and “hands-on” approach
- Let’s Find Out
- Weather activities and seasonal topics
- Planting
- Study of Our Families and Holiday traditions

Social and Emotional Development

- Positive peer and adult interactions
- Respect and cooperation in work and play
- Develop independence, confidence, and Self-esteem
- Self-reliance skills and good work habits

Special Areas

- Music, Art, French, Creative Movement